

The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday, July 18, 2016, immediately following the regular City Commission Meeting, to discuss the 2017 Budget. Those present were Rich Mattern, Mark Simmons, Mike Thorstad, Duane Hanson and Mark Wentz. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

City Auditor Tina Fisk appeared before the Commission on the following:

Reviewed the preliminary 2017 General Fund Budget which shows a 5.22 decrease in mills from last year

IT is requesting a GIS Administrator

Briefly reviewed the Street Department budget which is down from last year, Transfers Out, Sanitation Department (to be down three employees), Water & Sewer Department (no new employees)

Public Works Director Chris Brungardt also appeared before the Commission.

Municipal Judge Michelle Donarski appeared before the Commission on her request to increase the Judge's salary to \$4,000 per month (\$48,000 annual). City Auditor Tina Fisk advised that \$40,800 was put in the preliminary budget. No action was taken at this time.

City Auditor Tina Fisk also advised the following:

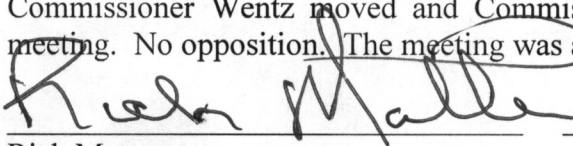
2% Cost of Living increase was put in the 2017 Budget

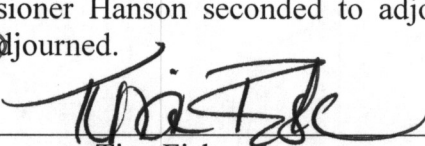
Health Insurance amount was increased by 5%. (Human Resources Administrator Jenna Wilm and Finance Director Aaron Mitchell would like a discussion on a contribution from the City for each employee)

Sanitation and Water & Sewer Budgets will be reviewed at the next Budget Meeting

Commissioner Hanson asked about the Police Department Telephones Line Item increase from \$45,000 to \$87,000. Police Chief Michael Reitan and IT Director James Anderson appeared before the Commission.

Commissioner Wentz moved and Commissioner Hanson seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Rich Mattern  
President of the Board

  
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Tina Fisk  
City Auditor